

## The Miami Dade STEM Expo 2016

Please read and distribute the information regarding project check-in and competition schedule for the 2016 Miami-Dade STEM Expo. Remember that the Expo is a combination of three events, the South Florida Regional Science and Engineering Fair, the Elementary Science Fair, and the SECME Olympiad and Festival.

For the safety of all student participants, please make sure to complete the following documents and each student bring copies of each to the **Project Check-in on Friday February 5<sup>th</sup>, 2016:**

- **Copy of Parent Permission Form from the Field Trip Approval Form**
- [Model and Talent Release Form \(see below\)](#)

**Miami Dade STEM Expo Location:** (See Map below)

Miami Dade College, North Campus  
Science Complex Building  
11380 NW 27 Avenue  
Miami, 33167

**Parking:** N6 and N8 (see map)

### Proposed Schedule

#### **Friday February 5, 2016 – Project Check-in**

- All Projects (Poster boards, bridges, and research papers) must be checked-in from 1 PM – 7 PM. Please do not arrive prior to 1 PM, because we will be still setting up and will not be able to accept any projects.
- **Projects arriving after 7 PM or not checked-in on February 5<sup>th</sup>, 2016 will not be able to participate in the judging process of Saturday February 6, 2016 (NO Exceptions).**
- Make sure all the documents requested for **Pending** Projects are corrected and turned in.
- All poster projects must turn in **5 copies of the official abstract form** (No need to bring additional copies of all the documents already turned in). Please make sure to bring these copies even if the abstract was already submitted online.
- Please make sure each student participant fills out and turns in a Model and Talent Release form (see link above) during the check-in process.
- **Projects with uncorrected forms/documents will be disqualified and will not participate in the judging process of Saturday February 6, 2016.**
- **Please make sure the project Boards follow the [Display and Safety Guidelines](#) (see below)**
  - If students have a device or model to display, be aware that the space available is very limited. Any such device and model can be brought on Saturday and must adhere to the Display and Safety Guidelines.

## Saturday, February 6, 2016 – Competition: Judging and Interviews

- Student exhibitors of poster board projects must be dressed in professional attire.
- Students should bring money for lunch (around \$10) or bring their own lunch. **Food will be sold on campus via Food Trucks.**
- All students are to remain on campus in the designated competition areas, for their safety.
- Students may bring a book or electronic book (i.e., kindle), but no electronic devices will be allowed (cell phones ok for emergency purposes only), unless they are part of the presentation (**Note: no electricity is provided**).
- **All participants and chaperones should carry a valid photo ID (driver's license, school ID, etc.).**
- Students participating in the Research Paper competition are not required to be present during the judging process.
- **Students are asked to pick up their projects before leaving the Expo. All projects left behind will be discarded.**
- Projected timeline:

<b>08:00 – 08:30</b>	Students must check-in with the room monitor at the location of their project. Information booths outside the Science Complex will have room information, if needed. ( <b>see room list below.</b> )
<b>08:45 – 09:45</b>	Main stage - Grand Opening Ceremony (All student participants, parents, teachers, etc.)
<b>10:00 – 12:00</b>	Judging of projects - students will be directed to leave the Grand Opening Ceremony and return to their projects in their respective rooms for judging to commence. (Only judges, student exhibitors, and Fair staff will be allowed inside the project rooms). Students will be released by the room monitors for lunch and at the end of the judging process.
<b>10:00 – 02:00</b>	Bridge competition – Main Stage
<b>12:00 – 01:00</b>	Lunch (all students and judges) There will be lunch sold in the Science Complex area and in Building 4 (Cafeteria), parents and chaperones in attendance may have lunch ready for student exhibitors in order to save time.
<b>01:00 – 03:00</b>	Judging continued. Student exhibitors are asked to remain by their projects until projects are judged at least 2 times and the special area award judges have visited the room. Any questions or concerns by the student must be addressed to the room monitor.
<b>02:00 – 04:00</b>	Project displays open to the public (announcement will be made on Main Stage).
<b>03:00 – 04:00</b>	Students may be asked to move to a different room for further judging and interviews, if the judging timeline needs to be prolonged– selected students will be reminded by the room monitor to move to room # TBA
<b>04:00 - 05:00</b>	Project pick-up (announcement will be made on Main Stage)

**Timeline may need to be extended to accommodate the judging process and make sure all projects receive the necessary attention of the judges and students receive a fair and unbiased review of their work.**

**Saturday February 20<sup>th</sup>, 2016 – SFRSEF Award Ceremony**

- **Parking:** N6 and N8 (see map)
- **Time:** 09:00 AM – 12:00 PM
- Presentation of **Awards to all student exhibitors** of February 6<sup>th</sup>, 2016.

This is the 62<sup>nd</sup> year of the South Florida Regional Science and Engineering Fair and together with your help we can make this a truly remarkable event for students. Thank you very much for all you have done and all you continue to do.

Please contact me if you have any additional questions or concerns.  
Sebastian Oddone – [soddone@dadeschools.net](mailto:soddone@dadeschools.net)

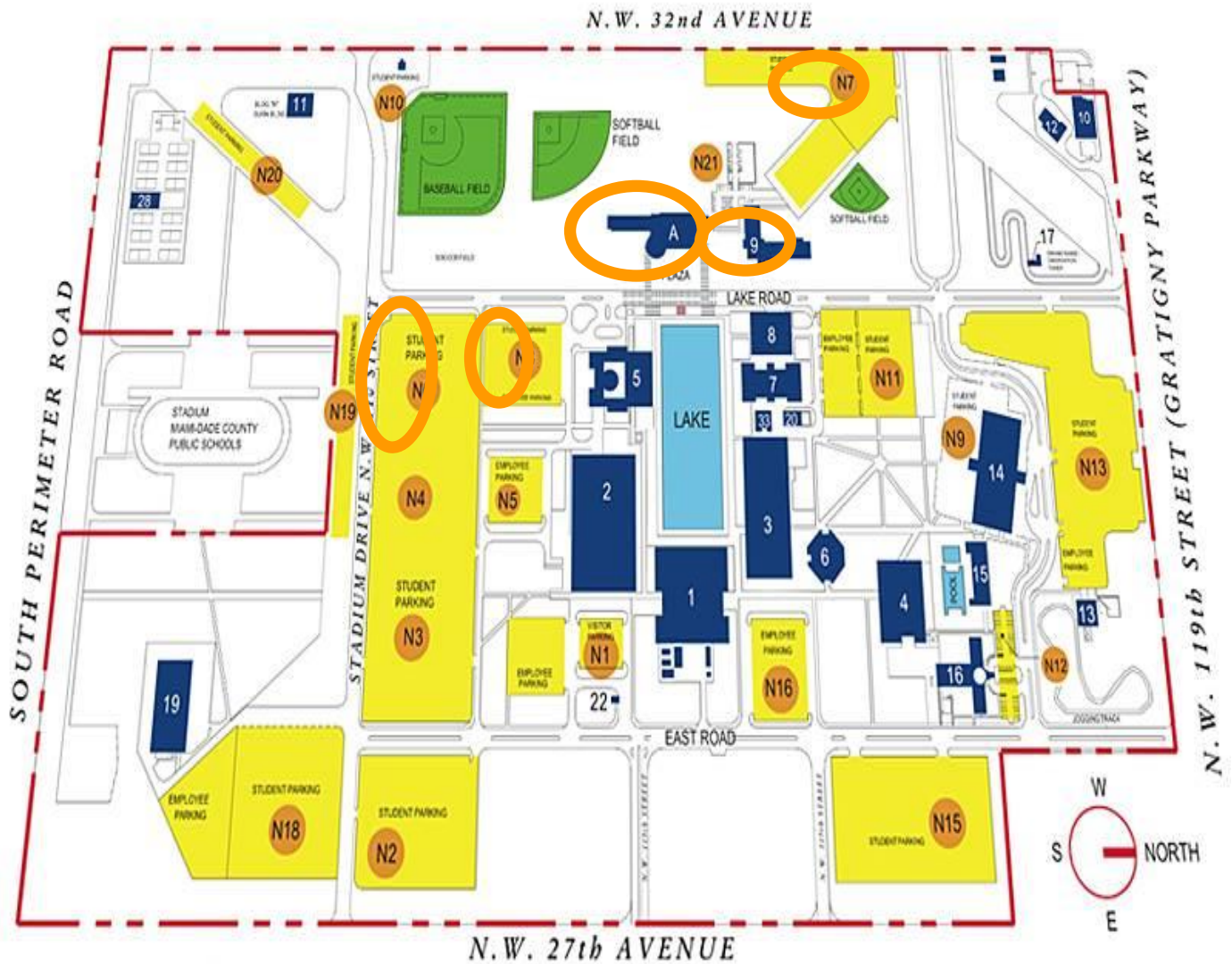
**Project Categories and room numbers (may change after check-in)**

- Animal Sciences ..... A311
- Behavioral and Social Sciences..... A305
- Biomedical and Health Sciences ..... A114
- Cellular and Molecular Biology/Biochemistry ..... A104
- Chemistry..... A104
- Earth and Environmental Sciences..... A102-103
- Engineering (Middle School)..... A116
- Environmental Engineering..... A102-103
- Intelligent Machines, Robotics and System Software ..... A211
- Mathematics and Computational Sciences ..... A211
- Microbiology..... A104
- Physics and Astronomy and Engineering (High School)..... A117-118
- Plant Sciences ..... A315 and  
..... A316

Any questions or concerns regarding the project board category location can also be found at the information booths located in front of the Science Complex.

**Please note that if the board is not checked-in on Friday, February 5<sup>th</sup>, it will not be possible for the board to be displayed for competition.**

**South Florida Regional Science and Engineering Fair Locations at a Glance**  
 Miami Dade College, North Campus, Science Complex 11380 NW 27 Ave, Miami, 33167



**Please note the directional legend for the campus map above.**

All event locations are indicated above by the orange circles

- Bldg. A – Science Complex: Opening Ceremony, Bridges, SF Regional Science and Engineering Fair Projects
  - Bldg. 9 – SFRSEF Judges Room
    - Parking – N7, N6, or N8

**In case of emergency, Campus Security: 305-237-1100**



**MIAMI-DADE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
MEDIA RELEASE PARENTAL CONSENT FORM**

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Date)

Dear Parent:

Please be advised that during the year your child may be photographed, videotaped, or interviewed at various school sponsored events. With your consent, the photograph, video or interview may be reproduced and released for use in the media, i.e., newspapers, brochures, videos, television, the internet, and Miami-Dade County Public Schools websites and social media platforms such as Facebook, Twitter, etc.

Please indicate your preference below.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Student's Name)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Student's ID)

Yes.

My child's photograph/video/interview **may** be reproduced and released for use in the media.

No.

My child's photograph/video/interview **may not** be reproduced and released for use in the media.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Date)

Return this signed form to:

CONTACT PERSON: \_\_\_\_\_

SCHOOL NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

SCHOOL TELEPHONE: \_\_\_\_\_



**ESCUELAS PÚBLICAS DEL CONDADO MIAMI-DADE  
FORMULARIO DE CONSENTIMIENTO PATERNO A LOS MEDIOS DE  
COMUNICACIÓN**

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Fecha)

Estimado/a padre/madre o tutor/a:

Por la presente le advertimos que durante el curso escolar, posiblemente a su niño/a se le tome una fotografía, se le haga una grabación de video o se le entreviste en diversos eventos auspiciados por la escuela. Con su consentimiento, se podrá reproducir y publicar la fotografía, vídeo o entrevista para ser entregada a los medios de comunicación, p. ej., periódicos, folletos, videos, televisión, o para su uso a través de la internet y de las páginas web de las Escuelas Públicas del Condado Miami-Dade y en plataformas de medios sociales como *Facebook*, *Twitter*, etc.

Por favor, indique su preferencia a continuación.

_____ (Nombre del estudiante)		_____ (Número de identificación del estudiante)	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Sí.	La fotografía/video/entrevista de mi hijo/hija <b>puede</b> ser reproducida y publicada para ser utilizada por los medios de comunicación.	
<input type="checkbox"/>	No.	La fotografía/video/entrevista de mi hijo/hija <b>no puede</b> ser reproducida ni publicada para ser utilizada por los medios de comunicación.	
_____ (Firma)		_____ (Fecha)	
Devuelva este formulario a:			
PERSONA DE CONTACTO:		_____	
NOMBRE DE LA ESCUELA:		_____	
TELÉFONO DE LA ESCUELA:		_____	



**LEKÒL LETA MIAMI-DADE COUNTY  
FÒM KONSANTMAN PARAN POU PIBLIKASYON NAN MEDYA**

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Chè Paran:

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Siyen fòm sa a e retounen li bay:	
MOUN POU W KONTAKTE: _____	
NON LEKÒL LA: _____	
TELEFÒN LEKÒL LA: _____	

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## Project Set Up-Approval Form

- A. Set up your project** and track down a Display and Safety Inspector  
**B. Have your project inspected by Display and Safety**

		Approved	Not Approved	NA
1.	<b>Project Size</b> does not exceed limits (30 in deep by 48 in. wide x 108 in tall)			
2.	<b>Official Abstract</b> is <b>vertically displayed</b>			
3.	<b>Continuation Projects Form (7)</b> , if applicable is <b>vertically displayed</b>			
4.	<b>Research Institution Form (1C)</b> , if applicable, is <b>vertically displayed</b>			
5.	<b>Non-paper presentation</b> ((computer, video, audio-visual slides) is <b>acceptable</b> Type of Presentation _____ Signature of Reviewer _____			
6.	Photographs adhere to <b>All Photograph Rules</b> (see page 22 of Intel ISEF rules)			
7.	<b>Citations</b> are present for all <b>pictures and graphs</b>			
8.	<b>Prohibited items are not included (see page 22 and 23 of Intel ISEF rules)</b> Living organisms, soil, sand, rock, waste, taxidermy specimens or parts, preserved animals, human or animal food, human/animal parts or body fluids, plant materials, all chemicals including water, empty chemical containers, hazardous substances or devices dry ice, sharp items including push pins, flames or highly flammable materials, batteries with open-top cells, glass, large vacuum tubes, empty tanks that previously contained combustible liquids, awards, recognitions, embellishments, advertisements			
9.	<b>Electrical Regulations</b> have been followed (see page 23 of Intel ISEF rules)			
10.	<b>Laser Guidelines</b> have been followed (see page 24 of Intel ISEF rules)			
11.	<b>Models or Prototypes fit on allotted table space.</b> There is nothing under or in front of table. Models for floor projects must fit within project size limit.			
12.	<b>Project adheres to all other Rules</b> ( see pages 22-24 of Intel ISEF rules)			
13.	<b>Packing materials and personal items</b> have been <b>removed from underneath the finalist table.</b>			

**C. Display and Safety Rules Infraction**

Infraction issued by (Print Name) \_\_\_\_\_  
 If a problem was found during inspection and not allowed, describe briefly:

\_\_\_\_\_

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**D. Initial Display and Safety Approval**

**D & S Inspector Signature** \_\_\_\_\_

I/we understand that the initial Display and Safety Inspection has been completed, but that additional reviews occur and I/we may be called back. I/we further understand that returning items that have been removed by the D&S and/or adding items that are not permitted after final clearance are grounds for failing to qualify for competition and/or forfeiture of all awards received. In addition electricity may not be used if not paid for.

Finalist/Team Leader Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_